

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: Francois HIRSCH et al.  
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For: NUCLEIC ACID-ANTIBODY CONJUGATE FOR  
DELIVERING A FOREIGN NUCLEIC ACID INTO CELLS

SECOND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

Prior to examination of the application on the merits, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 21 of this paper.